

# NEWSLETTER

## St. George International College

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### Toronto News

### Food Festival:



Summertime in Toronto means various food festivals simulating a real cultural experience you'll never forget. The month of July has over 10 different festivals where you can purchase affordable tickets that offer food, drinks, music, fun activities and so much more.

On July 6th & 7th, St. Clair West had a Salsa Festival where Torontonians had the opportunity to learn how to dance salsa, eat Latin American cuisine, and watch entertainment. The festival was a huge success and people from all around the world gathered to celebrate each other with lots of music, dance and food.

Another great festival was on July 19th, Nathan Phillips Square, which is a five-minute walk from school, hosted a Vietnamese food festival that is in public support for human trafficking and child sex slavery. People of Toronto enjoyed the unique fashion styles of Vietnam; ate delicious food and experienced the rich culture of Vietnam. Learn more about all these and more [here](#).



### SGIC Toronto Events

### Boat Party



On July 9th our summer camp students got to see Toronto differently, they went to a boat party! A boat took over 100 students on a beautiful tour on Lake Ontario of the Toronto Islands, the Great Canadian Exhibition, Ontario Place and of course to the magical Toronto skyline. The students had so much fun dancing to popular songs from all around the world and had the opportunity to get to know other international students from different schools in Toronto. ISX, the company hosting the party, had a great DJ, some food to purchase and a really fun environment. The boat party is an incredible opportunity to have fun and talk to people from different countries. Find out more information [here](#).

### Toronto Baseball

Toronto is home to many sports teams and our SGIC students went to a Blue Jays game for the first time on July 4th. They enjoyed the exciting atmosphere of the baseball game by dancing and taking a lot of funny photos. During the game, some Blue Jays fans were answering questions about the team and our students got the chance to win t-shirts and gifts cards. The game lasted until the sunset enabling the perfect view of the illuminating CN tower. Let's go [Blue Jays!](#)

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### SGIC Program

UCPP



[Picture here, Fatima, UCPP Teacher]

### University and College Preparation (UCPP)

SGIC is proudly partnered with over 30 colleges and universities to ensure our students' success in post-secondary programs instructed in English. Our experienced teachers have immense knowledge and training in academic English to teach to a variety of international students seeking higher education in Canada. UCPP is a 3-month (12-week) program designed with all four learning skills in mind with vocabulary and grammar in academic contexts plus various assignments and tasks that mimic a post-secondary institute. The students hold much responsibility in this course as a majority of the curriculum relies on its writing. Therefore, our students come out of UCPP with a better understanding of what is expected of them when going into Canadian colleges and universities. Moreover, if you are interested in academically preparing for post-secondary education at SGIC, you should take our Pre-Pathway-Program (PPP) for a better understanding of grammar. Many of our UCPP students who came from PPP have statistically done better in the 3 months than others. So, SGIC can help you get to where you want to go and to keep moving forward! Learn more about our pathway programs [here](#).

### SGIC TESTIMONIAL

#### 1. What was the main reason for choosing SGIC?

I chose SGIC for the partnerships with various Colleges and Universities in Ontario.

#### 2. How do you like about your program?

The UCPP program gave me the opportunity to improve my English skills, especially writing. I have had the opportunity to become acquainted with the academic Canadian college system.

#### 3. Please tell me about your teacher and atmosphere in the class.

I have been studying at SGIC for five months, every month I have had the opportunity to improve my English skills. Jenn Takaoka is a special teacher who has inspired me every day; she makes a difference in how I see academic English. The atmosphere at SGIC and in UCPP is fantastic, all the students are searching to develop their abilities to speak, listen, talk, and write more. I'm proud to have been given the opportunity to study here.



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